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In re the Application of

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Application No.: 10/821,184

Group Art Unit: 1793

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Examiner: Janelle Combs-Morillo

TITLE: AN Al-Zn-Mg-Cu ALLOY WITH IMPROVED DAMAGE TOLERANCE-STRENGTH COMBINATION PROPERTIES

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This subject Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is submitted in connection with applicants' continuing duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56. Applicant requests consideration of the concurrently submitted references. A credit card authorization for the fee for this IDS is concurrently filed. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including any shortage in Extension of Time fees, to Deposit Account 14.1437. Please credit any excess fees to such account.

A final Office action was mailed on November 14, 2008.

The relevant documents are listed in the attached Form PTO/SB/08.

The references cited in this IDS are:

1. V.I. Dobatkin, Smelting and Casting of Aluminum Alloys, Moscow, "Metallurgy," 1970, p. 27; and
2. The Russian State Standard GOST 4784-97. Aluminum and wrought aluminum alloys. Grades, Minsk, Publisher of Standards, 1999, p. 7, 8, table 6.
3. RU 2044098 to Kashirin et al.
4. RU 2165996 to Fridljander et al.

These references were considered by the present Examiner as indicated by attachments to the final Office action of November 14, 2008. Applicants thank the Examiner for considering the references.

English language translations of these references were not readily available at the time these references were originally submitted. However, Applicants now resubmit these Russian patent and non-patent literature references with copies of their recently obtained translations.

This IDS is submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d), along with the following statement consistent with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(e): Applicant certifies none of these translations were cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application, and, to the knowledge of the person signing the certification after making reasonable inquiry, none of these translations were obtained more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.

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